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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of National Estimates
Acting Deputy Director for Intelligence
Director of Current Intelligence
Director of Research and Reports
Director of Scientific Intelligence
Director, Foreign Missile and Space
Analysis Center

SUBJECT: Forecasting Capability as Reflected
in NIE's

1. One of the action items flowing from the recent Hyland Panel meeting had its origin in their question as to how accurate our strategic estimates have been in the past and what sort of closed loop, ex post facto evaluation did we make of the estimating accuracy. The Director assigned this study to me, and I asked [REDACTED] to take an analytical look at the problem, since he has personally not been involved in the estimating business.

2. The attached study by [REDACTED] represents his clinical analysis of our past performance, which I find quite gratifying. However, before forwarding this to the Director, I should like to have your comments, criticisms or enlargements. May I have these by Friday, 22 October?

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Enclosure: [REDACTED]

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